

USE OF E-RESOURCES IN ACADEMIC LIBRARIES IN PRESENT DIGITAL ERA

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ABSTRACT

Library is a knowledge centre which has rich information resources stored in different formats including print and electronic form. E-resources play a prominent role in facilitating access to accurate information with in shot time to the users.

This paper presents the use of E-Resources in Academic Libraries in present Digital era. Libraries of all types are embracing electronic/digital collections, although most libraries will continue to offer both print and electronic collections for many years to come. In present days, most of the users have the knowledge to use computers and the Internet. The majority of the users is using Google search engine. This paper identifies the different types of users of academic libraries and the availability of electronic/digital resources, which should be known to every user in the academic libraries. The study also highlights the methods of using e-resources by the staff and students and also the problems faced by them in doing so. This study provides suggestions for the better access to the facilities with most advanced infrastructure and subscriptions to more e-resources.

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